

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:	)	
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Ronald W. MINK et al.	)	Group Art Unit: 1723
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Application No.: 09/973,956	)	Examiner: D. SORKIN
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Filed: October 11, 2001	)	
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For: DEVICE FOR COLLECTION AND	)	
ASSAY OF ORAL FLUIDS	)	

**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL**

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Sir:

In response to the final Office Action mailed April 13, 2006, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of this application in view of the following amendments and remarks. A Notice of Appeal accompanies this Amendment.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.